REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: untitled.ll.bmp Other Known Title: Not Stated Format: Computer Image File Director/Author: Not Applicable Producer/Publisher: Not Applicable Not Stated Country of Origin: Language: Not Applicable Applicant: Commissioner of Police Distributor: Not Applicable Classification: Objectionable. **Descriptive Note:** Not Applicable **Display Conditions:** Not Applicable Date of entry in Register: 20 December 2006 Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable OFLC No: 602718 **Excisions:** Not Applicable Reasons for excisions: Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The publication entitled *untitled.ll.bmp* is classified as: Objectionable.

The publication is a computer image file which depicts a man and a girl engaged in sexual activity. The intended purpose of the publication is to sexually arouse viewers with a prurient interest in children, and it serves to legitimise sexual activity involving children by presenting them as sexually active and as potential sexual partners for adults. As such it is considered to promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes, and is deemed objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act).

The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the FVPC Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.